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Washington, Dec. 28 .- For Lower

warmer; south winds.

LAW AND FACTS. It appears that in deciding the case of Packard against the canvassing board of Menominee county, the supreme court established a precedent which will govern in all contested election cases now before it. The decision was handed down last Saturday and the opinion was filed away to appear later on in the regular reports. The case is understood to be identical with the other cases now before the court. It appears that Packard applied for a recount of the vote in Menominee and his application was granted. During the recount detective votes were thrown out to the number of sixty-two, to his prejudice. He applied to the court for a writ of mandamus ordering the canvassing board to count the defective votes or show cause. The application was denied. It must appear evident to the average man that the supreme court in taking such action had in view the issue of fact sure to arise upon the return of the writ. The canvassers in responding to such a writ would show by affidavit that the votes thrown out and not counted were illegal votes. The supreme court would be compelied to treat such a return as conclusive-for the original application for a mandamus is in the nature of an exparte proceeding. For instance if the supreme court should say "you must count these defective votes," the canvamers could reply "we have counted all the legal votes." There the matter must end. The supreme court cannot try an issue of this kind. It is a question of fact that must be determined in a lower court by a jury. If the Packard decision be correctly reported it follows that all other contested cases must follow it. To proceed otherwise would be to present the supreme court in the

tribunals having sole and final juris-FOUNT TAXATION

Hyattsville, a Washington suburb, established the single tax system, and has made it successful. In spite of the protests of property owners, the courts tory of his pet theory by making a a very beautiful theory, yet like many other conceptions of postical economists, it was too visionary ever to admit of realization. It is possiblis that the results of single tax in the little Washington suburb may revolutionize the entire tax system of the country. There is a growing sentiment in favor of a change in the present tax system. Its inequalities and injustices have grawn to be trksome and potorious. The makeshift schemes of inexperienced legislators by which the moneyed interests are sought to be taxed to relieve the was calculated to relieve morttent, so that the borrower is oppressed more than everbefore. The people de- tween employer and employe. mand benest taxation, not grading fines and penalties for being frogal and industrious. Given a common basis of and continuing, and the whole scheme will be as simple and easy of adjustment as the night to the day.

WISSER'S TWADDLE.

Ever since Judge Monre of Saginaw stepped into the wide-open mouth of pulseless and shandoned sell wells of ered from the culting effects of Judge villams. Moore's vigorous lambasting, he bobs up in the sematorial canvass with one banquet that he was not invited to of the most absurd propositions ever make a speech. If they had not inarguedited to a potherise politician. vited him, Tom would have counted in To a Detroit reporter, after displaying a quorum and have had the invitation ale ensumery firmd of antiquated wit, extended just the same. he has unfolded a deep, original softeme to upset all plans made by republicans to elect a United States senstor. He proposes to about the time. State, all of which goes to prove that honored practice of giving a prominent democrat the complimentary vote of the democrate in the legislature, and to marskal all ther strength to sizet a republican representing the choice of centionally fine program in Smith's their struggles and their hopes, than is the politers from the senatorial caucus. This week. Their during and grace on Mr. Luce, he is wealthy, but is neither The plant is purely Wisnerian, It is ling interest to anything seen in the whole souled, companionable man, soung to capture a fare stray dollars house this season. The Hughes in a whose neart is as were as his pures is It will have only long enough to condle; novel accounts turn do a pleaning log. Allegan Gazette.

Chauncey to get his name in the papers and to invite speculation in uncertain political futures. It is ridiculous to suppose that there will be any chance to put such an asinine scheme into excellent. operation. No democrat vote will be needed to elect a United States sens-

tor. There are enough republican rotes to do it. The republican candidate will be nominated in a republican caucus. There will be no bolt from the decision of that caucus. Both candidates have pledged themselves to stand by the successful one. A handful of recalcitrant members might decline to enter a caucus. But there are none such. Wisner's scheme is too ally and absurd to merit a passing notice, yet it is just such idle mouthings that give rise to sensational stories of "boodle" in times of political excitement. The author of this abortive ...Vaudeville explosion of buncombe is so thoroughly despised and distrusted by decent democrats, that if there were a ghost of a chance of winning by such a ruse, they Michigan - Generally fair; slightly would repudiate the whole business to chastise the impudent, loud-mouthed

GLADSTONE'S BIRTHDAY

Saginawian.

Today William Ewart Gladstone is 83 years old. Not England alone, but the whole civilized world will unite in wishing the Grand Old Man unnumbered years of peace and happiness. Mr. Gladstone is the most remarkable product of the nineteenth century. There are few men that have been financiers, authors, theologians, scholars and statesmen, and attained such an extreme degree of success as he. Indeed, it is doubtful if any other man ever so thoroughly mastered so many distinct and dissimilar subjects. For nearly half a century he has been the central figure of English politics. During those fifty years his political ideas and principles have been revolutionized; but he has nevered failed to keep in closest sympathy with the needs of the British people. Macaulay called him "the hope of unbending toryism." Today he is the exponent of British democracy. As chancellor of the exchequer he displayed a knowledge and grasp of the financial problems of the English government, which have never been equaled. Never has the church of England had a more unyielding defender. Time and again has he crossed lances with the greatest theologians of his time and parried their thrust with his clean cut, and irrefutable logic. Few modern students of Greek have at- try."-Vienna Progress. tained his degree of proficiency, and it is said if anybody quotes to him a single line of Homer's Iliad he can repeat in the original the remainder of the book. But it is in defense of the principle of home rule for Ireland that Mr. Gladstone has won the respect and revercence of two continents. The history of his later political career is the anomalous attitude of reversing itself on points of law simultaneously subthe burden of his eighty-three years of mitted to it. The court will dispose unceasing activity resting upon him, of all questions of law; but as to questhe world wishes him God speed in his tions of fact it will submit the conbattle for Irish homes and Irish liberty. troversy to the properly appointed

Amone the candidates for sergeantat arms of the house of representatives is Captain David Collins of Croton, Newaygo county. The Cedar Springs Clipper says of him: "Captain Collins was not only one of Michigan's bravest soldiers, but is also one of her very of Maryland sustained the law. Last best citizens. He served as a member week Henry George celebrated the vic- of the house in 1877-79 with credit to both himself and his country. He is speech there. If the single tax system in every way qualified for the position can be maintained successfully in a from experience as a faithful member single village it can be maintained with | and a gentleman of high moral characequal success throughout the entire ter and should secure the position by a country. Opponents of the single tax unanimous vote. Elect Captain Colhave stoutly declared that, while it was line to this responsible position and no mistake will be made."

> Iv response to the demands of his party the Hon. James O'Donnell ran for congress in a district overwhelmingly democratic and went down to an honorable defeat. Judge Morse left the bench in response to the call of his party and he too went to defeat. With his party in the ascendant and with over 100,000 offices to be filled with democrats, it will be ingratitude basely intensified to offer him anything less than a high and lucrative position.

SUPERINTENDENTS STIMPSON and poor, invariably operate to the in- O'Rourke did not consider it beneath jury of the poor. The mortgage their dignity to call in a delegation of tax law of our own state engineers and consult with them in reference to changes in the schedule gagors from unjust taxation, but the of wage rates. There is seldom any morigagees have evaded its clear in- serious disagreement where there is a free and full expression of opinion be-

Tunne will be a revision of the constitution. It needs it. Properly retaxation, unchangeable, immoveable vised, perhaps cities and villages will be privileged to govern themselves without running to the legislature every time a public improvement is necessary. Perhaps, too, capital punishment may get a show.

MILITAURER is in danger of extinc-Channesy Wisner, in the Muskegon tion by fire. Incendiaries seem to have convention, that blowning hag of rendervoured in that city for the pursuphyra has remained as silent as the pose of making a pineteenth century Sodom and Gomorrab spectacle. Col. his native valley. But, having recov. Pabet ought to turn a beer hose on the

Tou Burn says he never went to a

Asam it is positively aunounced that Don Dickmoon will be averetary of it is not in value that he carried the banner in the Chicago convention.

AMUSEMENT NOTES. Avery and King easily lead the or nie, from appreciation of their needs.

change act. A woman executing forward and backward somersaults is a surprising innovation. With the exon of one team in alleged songs and repartee, the show is unusually

opera house Friday and Saturday, Dec. and 31, and Saturday matinees. This comedy-drams was written by leander Richardson, editor of the New York Dramatic News, and has played to immense business everywhere. he best piece Mr. Sully ever appeared

"Esgle's Nest," a picturesque drama of the melo-romantic school, with that dashing young actor, Edwin Arden in lar role, will come to The Grand opera house for one week commencing Sunday evening, January 1, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

The distinct-social amusement event of the season will be the opera, The Gondoliers, to be played by local artists in the Powers' January 9.

The theatrical mechanics held an in formal banquet in The Grand after the performance Tuesday night. It was a happy affair.

"The Westerner" is booked for Monday and Tuesday evening's in the Grand. Jim Corbett will appear in the Pow-

ers' January 4.

STATE PRESS COSSIP. The day typical of peace on earth, good will to man, was characterized by the usual array of crimes and casual ties, some of a frightful character.— Saginaw Courier Herald.

The Luling, Texas, Herald thinks the motto on our silver dollars, "In God We Trust," should be changed to read "In This God We Trust."—Kalamazoc

The Illinois Humane society has begun the work of prosecuting Chicagoans for the crime of docking horse tails. Let the work go on .- Muskegon News.

The French duelist is now regarded by life insurance companies as the best risk to be procured.—Bay City Tribune. Many a post-Christmas headache is the father of a New Year's resolution.

HIT AND MISS BREVITIES

A North Carolina man proposes a plan by which the endowment of a college can be managed. He would neure the lives of fifty prominent citizens for \$10,000, but does not suggest what would happen if the wives of these citizens would object, or how the remiums were to be paid.-Wyalus-

A stranger from Michigan asked a best adapted to the soil and climate of this section. The citizen's reply was: 'Rabbits, free niggers and mortgages are the most sure crop in this coun-

The moving of the first railroad train and the sending of the first message by an electric telegraph should be celei ted as greater national anniversaries than the triumphs of conquering armies .- Toronto Globe.

President Harrison will appear to better advantage lecturing on law at that California university than he did lecturing the people of the United history of home rule, and today with tion.—New York World.

No more fourth-class postmasters ! will be allowed to resign during the present administration. They must stand their ground and take their medcine when the physician comes .- St. Louis Globe Democrat.

ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY.

Maud-Mercy, yes; I've gone to sleep

every time I've tried to read them. Della-I do wonder if Jack enjoyed the ties I sent him? Arthur-Well, I should say he did.

the very first thing. "Well, Blivins, I suppose you found omething in your stocking? Blivins-Yes, a confounded tack while I was up getting the paregoric

for the baby. Mabel-Don't you think this hat is several sizes too large for Dick? Helen-Yes, but I knew he would want to wear it on New Year's day.

"Old Goldbug has given many a young man a lift in life. Dalton-With his money, I suppose. "Oh, no, with his foot."

Nothing strange about whisky being advanced-it always goes to the head.

POINTS ABOUT MEN.

Frank Vincent, who has left Colomto continue his explorations in Africa, has already traveled over 300, 000 miles, and, though he has had many narrow escapes, he never had a serious accident.

Gideon W. Marsh, the fugitive president of the wrecked Keystone bank in Philadelphia, was last heard of, it is believed, at Cape Town, where he took passage for Rangoon, in the East

Bjornsen celebrated his sixtieth birthday recently and festivities in his honor were held throughout Nor-

BOTH ARE GOOD MEN-The main difficulty in spreading the Luce propaganda has been that all the arguments advanced in his behalf (except the demagogical outcry against "plutocrats" apply precisely as well to Mr. Stockbridge as to Mr. Luce. The latter began life poor and has risen by his own exertions; but so did Mr. Stockbridge-both know what is the burden of labor and the grip of pov. erty, the one no more than the other. Luce secured his measure of wealth by honest methods; but like wise did Mr. Stockbridge-the only is their measure of success-and wealth-getting shows superiority in man, Mr. St ckbridge is the greater of Mr. Luce has pursued it so far that he cannot point the finger of shame at his opponent. Mr. Luce made a good governor, honest and painstaking in discharge of all his duties; but Mr. Stockbridge as senator has shown the same while Mr. Luce was given a second

term as a reward for his well-doing, but

wishes, for his own benefit, to dong to

earned. Mr Lape is "a man of the people," and Mr. Stockbridge is an-

other -the latter is not the fraction of

a degree fursher removed from famil-

lacity of intercourse with ordinary peo-

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN. I have sketched a princess walking costume of French plaid vignogne which has two lengths of gray silk held with liver battons extending from the twist about the waist. At the back are two sash-like jabots. The broad revers are of aroure silk with a gathered center of d blue silk finished at the neck with a bow. The hat is gray, trimmed with an irridescent wing and blue silk. The Russian blouse has gone through

quite a transformation since it first made its appearance. It now looks very like an ordinary jacket, made long and fastened on one side, with a fur and around the waist to match the fur around the edges. Russian blouses look more elegant when made of the of the same color. When intended to be worn with several exirts, however,



it is better to make them of black cloth or velveteen. Indeed, they look ex-tremely well in velvet, velveteen and corduroy, and can then be worn with either a cloth or silk skirt.

Eton jackets have also undergone change, and are very different from what they were at first. They have now high shouldered sleeves and are pointed at the waist. Some are even slashed up at the back and a bow with other Eton jackets have short coattails at the back, like a riding habit bodice, and this style would be admirably suited for riding. Then, again, the Eton jacket resembles a Turkish jacket and is made of cloth or velvet, covered with rich gold and jewel embroidery and edged all around with passemen-

IMPORTANCE OF THE BATH There is no doubt that women are beginning to realize more and more the importance of the bath. It no longer continues to be a perfunctory duty, to be gone through with as a matter of course on Saturday nights, much as the family washing is undertaken on

Monday.

The relation of cleanliness to godliness has ceased to be of importance. The bath has grown to be considered. on the contrary, a close adjunct to woman's beauty. The fair sex has learned to study the bath and its effects upon their feelings, and incidentally the action of tepid or hot water on their fair skins and its efficacy in softening and beautifying their com- It was manifest that the society was

No longer can it be said that with the majority of American women a bath means simply wiping the face with a corner of a wet towel, even if the statement was ever true.

The women in foreign countries in the past undoubtedly had a greater ap-Young Author—Is it true that my preciation of the ness relation of the poems have really set you dreaming? I bath to personal beauty than the women of the United States. That a great change in this direction has been wrought is shown by the greater intelligence shown by American women to-day in the matter of bathing and their growing predilection for what is known as Swedish massage. He used one to tie up a broken chair

MKS, SHEPARD'S PINK BALL, The pink ball and reception given by Mrs. Helen Shepard in her beautiful home on South Lafayette street last evening, was one of the most beautiful and stylish social events ever given in the city. The interior of the house was like some fairy palace. There was a profusion of flowers and potted plants. In the main hall the stair railway was festooned with smilax. The corners were filled with gracefully drooping and rich dark green palms and ferns. In the lunch room the tables were lighted with numerous candles and artistically decorated with carnations and hyacinths, whose rich perfumes pervaded every room.

In the ball room a beautiful effect

wee produced by pale pink draperies on a pure white background. Here Prof. Wellenstein's orchestra discoursed music. The number of guests was very large and all congratulated Miss Shepard, the fair debutante, in whose honor the party was given. PERSONAL MENTION

The Akeley Index, a near little eight-

page monthly, devoted, as its name indicates, to Akeley institute, made its initial appearance in town vesterday. It is published at Grand Haven by H. Y. Potts and Miss Edith L. Powers is the editor. It is an excellent medium for extending the advantages of the in-Mrs. H. N. Moorman, president of

the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of unions, gave a reception yes-terday afternoon to the W. C. T. U. women of this city at her home, N 317 Madison avenue. From 2 o'clock to 5:30 about a hundred old and young women called. The reception commit tee consisted of the presidents of the various unions, some thirteen in all. Refreshments were served by the young women of Mrs. Moorman's class in the livision Street M. E. Sunday school The house was prettily decorated with plants and cutflowers and the occasion was of course highly enjoyable.

POLITICAL EQUALITY CLUB. The regular meeting of the Political

Equality club, which was held yesterday at the residence of Mrs. Pearsall, 163 East Bridge street, was largely attended and proved to be very inter-

was decided to hold, two weeks from last night, at Mrs. Pearsall's resilence, a social meeting to which the are to be invited. Mrs. Clara Colby, who will deliver the third lecture of the club's course, will be protent. A literacy and musical entertainment will be given and refreshments served The intention is to have a social meet-The program yesterday consisted of

a paper on "lives Reform and Physical Culture" by Mrs. F. A. Coase, and News From South Carolina' by Mrs. S. G. Katcham DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PARTY OF TH

the manner in which the germs of tuberculosis are spread abroad by ladies' dresses. He had a dress dragged over the ground two or three times, and on a glass slide was able to show no fewer than seven tubercle

Huldah Friedrichs has the honor of being the first lady taken on the regu-lar staff of a London paper. Although of German nationality, she can both write and speak English fluently, and knows both Russian and French sufficiently well to act as special correspondent in St. Petersburg or Paris in need. Miss Friedrichs joined the staff of the Pall Mall Gazette when Mr. Stead was its editor.

Princess Margaret of Prussia will be married standing on an interesting bit of carpet. It was wrought by her mother, the Empress Frederick, and upon it knelt all the children of the household when they were confirmed. The emperor, his brother, Prince Henry and the three elder princesses of the family were all married standing upon

the now cherished piece of carpet.

Perhaps the only woman who was
ever buried like a warrior with the
stars and stripes for a winding sheet
was the late Mrs. Cutler. At the battle of Fort Donelson she snatched the colors of her husband's regiment from their fallen bearer and rushed through the smoke with the flag in one hand and a sword in the other.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox wants the

waiter's coat, if it must be cut on the bias in the rear, made of some other color than black. San Francisco is led to believe that Mrs. Hearst, widow of the millionaire senator, will leave it \$1,000,000 for a

great museum. F. Marion Crawford says that novel is "an intellectual artistic lux-

It is said that no Vassar graduate has ever been in a divorce court.

MILLIONAIRES WERE THERE. Chicago, Dec. 28.-The case for docking horses tails against William Leddy in Justice Bradwell's court today attracted great attention because it was a test case and because Leddy's work was done for John W. Donne, the wholesale merchant who has been mentioned for a cabinet office under Mr. Cleveland, who likes to drive a fashionable team. For the prosecution appeared President Shortall of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animais. For the defense Alex Sul livan was counsel and he was flanded by Potter Palmer, General Torrance and other leading citizens, who considered the prosecution petty and unjusti-fiable. The prosecution fought un-availingly for delay. Mr. Sullivan in-

sisting upon and securing an imme-diate hearing. Mr. Sullivan contended that the complaint should have charged that the act was not for the benefit of the horse and that the prosecution was bound so to prove be-fore a primo facie case was established. The court held with him and dismissed the case.

plaint conforming Mr. Sullivan's technical requirements and the case will be heard on its merits next Wednesday. orely disappointed.

AS NEW YORKERS DO IT.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 28 .- About two months ago Charles Madder and Dora Curry, a daughter of Robert Curry a hotel man well known in the middle of the oil fields, came from Titusville to Jamestown and were married. Thanksgiving day Mrs. Madder received a dispatch from Titusville to the effect that her 5-year-old boy was sick. The next day she went to Titus-ville, but instead of finding a sick boy she found Fred Gilson, who had been a suitor several years before her mar-riage with Madder, wanted her to re-He accompanied her back toturn. ward Jamestown as far as Frewsburg, where they stopped and were married; both returning again to Titusville. Yesterday a friend of Gilson's came to see Madder and his wife and the former agreed that on the payment of \$25 he would relinquish all claim to the woman. Mrs. Madder leaves today for Titusville to join husband

Is There No Escape?

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The Star this vening says: "Politicians here do not vening savs: believe that Mr. Murphy can be de-feated and they believe that Mr. Cleveland appreciates the fact. At present Mr. Cleveland has no personal repre-sentative in the senate with long experience and in a position to act as the leader. Should be succeed in the election of a personal friend in New York it would not improve the situation greatly, as no new man, however capable, can figure very prominently in that body. It is reported today that the question of Don Dickinson going into the cabinet has been settled and that he will be secretary of state."

Newman Acquitted,

PITTABURG, Dec. 28 .- Max Newman, charged with the killing of Thomas Coyne, in a bunk house in the Carnegie mills at Homestead on the night of November 14, was tried today and acquitted of both charges-murder and manalaughter. Newman, with four other non-union workmen were sleepng in one room. Coyne, either purposely or by accident, entered the room and when ordered out, assaulted Newman. The latter fearing that his assailant was a striker and that he was going to be killed, shot the intruder.

John L. Will Fight Corbett. New York, Dec. 28.—John L. Sulliafternoon at the Windsor theater where he has been playing, in regard to Jim Wakeley's statements that the exchampion was an ingrate for making attacks on his bosor. He, however, told I'm McCarthy, who met him at the windup of the performance, that he would yet meet Jim Cortest and next May.

Looks Like a Trust. NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 28 .- The Wor-

cester Traction company, has filed artroles of incorporation in the county cierks office in this city. The capital is placed at \$0,000,000. The company is to buy, sell, lesse and operate street railroads by electricity, traction or other metheds.

Dr. Briggs Agsin. New York, Dec. 28 .- The New York prestytery this afternoon resumed the case of Dr. Briggs, charged with hersey. There were 122 votes present. dass of They went into secret session at 4 o'clock and at 5 adjourned until 2 o'cleck tomorrow,

Mrs. Russell, aged 14, has secured a Professor E. O. Dixon, the English diverce from her bushand, aged 50, at son wirt, has been experimenting upon | Victoria, & C.

NEWS OF THE HOTELS.

No other case of men in the world will endure so much hard work and so will endure so much hard work and so many hard knocks as a cowboy," said James Kennedy, a Texas ranchman, in the New Livingston yesterday. "No matter what happens, they take it as a matter of course. They will go out day after day and get drenched to the skin, but you never hear one of them complain about it. They will live on jerked beef and cold air for a dust and dirt ewept up by the dress. The practical lesson taught by this fact seems to be that of showing how, when trailing skirts are brushed in our thomes, the germs of disease or their spores get dissipated in the air, and thus placed in a position to infect those who are well. This is another powerful argument against trailing skirts.

"No matter what happens, they take it as an institer of course. They will go out day after day and get drenched to the skin, but you never hear one of them complain about it. They will live on jerked beef and cold air for a week, and act as satisfied as if they were dining at Delmonico's. I remember our cowboys went to sleep one night in the bed of a dried up creek. During the night a cloud burst up near the head of the creek, and washed them

POINTS ABOUT WOMEN.

"No matter what happens, they take it as an institer of course. They will go out day after day and get drenched to the skin, but you never hear one of the minion of the law. "Moxie's sellin' November Chicago papers for today's and pluegin' aginst de rost of us." "Well, I'll look after him if I don't forget it," said the officer. "But what do you call him Moxie for" "Count of his nerve." out. Everything went. Some of them

William R. Moss and bride of Was sau, Wis., are guests in the New Liv-ingston. Mr. Moss was formerly a Maple Rapids boy and is now superin-tendent of schools in Wausau. "There is an intense feeling in Wisconsin in re-gard to the parochial school question," he said. "The reports of it have not been exaggerated. In our own city at least a third of the children attend the Catholic schools. But there has never been any disturbance in regard to the matter. I think the question will eventually be settled. Both sides will and public schools will be able to work in perfect harmony and neither intrude upon the legitimate territory of the other."

Sovernor had will be the next sent tor. I hear that Senator Stockbridg will be in Lansing next week. We other."

"Yes. I'm a fire aufforer." and I

S. R. Still of the Pine Grove, Pennsylvania, furnaces arrived at the Morton last night. "I have a fad," said Mr. Still. "In addition to our mines, boiler plate manufactory and carwheel industry, I'm making bricks. I call it a fad, because it is rather expensive and I can't make any money out of it. I'm getting rather tired of it upon the whole and have resolved that the thing ought to be made to pay. I the thing ought to be made to pay. I was led to believe that if I come to Grand Rapids I could obtain some hints that would prove of great benefit. That's why I'm here. A fad is a nice thing, but it's too expensive to maintain very long."

"You would be surprised to know how many cheap knives and forks are used," said C. M. Dillon of the Meriden Cutlery company, in the Morton last night. "The demand is constantly in-creasing. Thousands of families never used anything else but a steel knife and fork for several years. Some persons seem to have an idea that every-body eats with a silver fork and would not know how to use anything else. American cutlery now leads the world. England cannot compete with us in high grade goods. British manufac-turers have been stealing our designs for years.'

"We shall know this week how much space will be alloted to Grand Rapids furniture at the world's fair," said the Hon. I. M. Weston in the Morton yesterday. "I have just returned from a consultation with Mr. Allison. I think we shall get about 2,500 square feet.

Melver and Matthew Ransom, both young men, were crushed to death this morning at the Acme mine. They were just pulling a coal car on the cage when the engine commenced hoisting, catching them between the cage and the side of the shaft, killing both almost instantly.

The Michigan building will be finished about the middle of January. The workmen are putting in the windows now. The exterior is completed and the contractors are at work upon the

found their hate and boots five miles away; but they were as unconcerned as if that were their daily luck. That's what I admire about these fellows. They never kick. Of course they drink a little bad whiskey occasionally, and frequently capture a town; but they don't mean anything by it—they're all good fellows."

William E Mon and bridge of Year.

T. A. Updegraff, a Williamsport, Pa-lumberman, is a guest in the Morton. "Lumber was never a better commodity in the market than it is today," he. "Prices have been exceptionally good and the demand has been steady from start to finish. It is going to prove one of the most prosperous years Pennsylvania lumbermen have seen in

"I'm going back to Coldwater," said ex-State Senator Milnes in the Morton lest night. "I'm satisfied that we have nothing to worry about and that ex-Governor Luce will be the next senator. I hear that Senator Stockbridge

"Yes, I'm a fire sufferer," said Dr.
E. C. Burnette of Mancelona in Sweet's
yesterday. "Lost my office and everything I had. Am down vieiting my
friend, Dr. Graves, now, and trying to
cheer up. What am I going to do?
Start again, I suppose."

"I expect to see the largest hotel business next month the city ever has seen," said Col. Frank Riseley of Sweets' yesterday. "Of course it is a little dull now, but when the commercial men begin to return and the furni-ture men strike us the hotel business will boom."

Mayor F. R. Kreuger and A. C. Heitschmidt of Michigan City, were among the arrivals at Sweet's last night. They are in the city visiting friends and seeing the town.

Treasurer Brewer yesterday ended the fight between the Kent County Fair society factions by delivering the funds to W. H. Anderson, the newly elected treasurer. There is some \$7,000 in cash and the deeds of the fair ground. minority has decided to drop the fight entirely.

Crushed in a Mine. LOUISVILLE, Colo., Dec. 28.—George McIver and Matthew Ransom, both



To-DAY the underground road of the Rapid Transit Commission, will be sold at auction in New York City.

The cost of building the road is estimated at \$100,000,000. and electricity will be the motive power. The successful bidder must pay ten per cent of the bid to the auctioneer and deposit \$1,000,000, with the comptroller as a guarantee of compliance with the terms of sale.

Is an amusement of the winter and played on the ice by sliding from one mark to another great stones of 40 to 70 pounds' weight, of a hemispherical form with an iron or woodsn handle at top. The object of the player is to lay his stone as near to the mark as possible, to guard that of his partner which has been well played before, or to strike off that of his antagonist. The above aludes to the national game of Scotland, but it allied to our subject this morning only in name. The Scotchman wins his game by deftly curling the ponderous weights over the ice to the goal.

You, fair maiden, miss or matron, will find curling the hair a great auxiliary in winning the game of life.

IN SECTION A, ROW NO. 3

Of our house furnishing department, surrounded with pyramids of Granite Ware, flanked on all sides by Sponge Baskets, Wire Soap Dishes, Sink Cleaners and hundreds of other useful and ornamental utensils, the finest line of

HAIR CURLERS

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LANGTRY CURLING IRON, ISABELLA CURLING IRON, CHARM CURLING IRON, GEM CURLING IRON. CURLING TONGS & HAIR PINCERS.

Our cut today will show you a very necessary adjunct to the hair curlers.

Curling Iron Heaters!

Using them will save you many annoyances. The iron can thrust into the socket provided for it and in almost a moment's time will have absorbed heat enough for its best use. In this connection we will say that we have another most convenient article in the shape of a little arrangement to fit over the gas jet, whereby

WATER CAN BE HEATED

start into training at Hot Springs, Ark., most conveniently in a very short space of time. This little instrument is of inestimable value in a sick rosm as you know how inconvenient it is many a time to obtain hot water in the night time. Look for them in

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